

Profile of New Freshmen Fall 2013 and Fall 2014

This report contains demographic and academic information for new freshmen who entered the University in Fall 2013 and Fall 2014. Information is included on:

Gender	State of Permanent Address	High School Class Quartile
Age	County of Permanent Residence	Program of Study
Minority Status	Religious Affiliation	First-Generation Status
Citizenship Status	Entrance Test scores	First Major
Racial/Ethnic Group	Full/Part-Time Status	
Country of Citizenship	Average Credit Hour Load	

Please see page 2 for a note on test score (SAT and ACT) statistics.

Fall 2014

The freshmen class of Fall 2014 includes 615 students who entered the University in Summer 2014 or Fall 2014. Demographically, almost sixty percent (362) of the new freshmen are female, and seventy percent (433) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up twenty-six percent (25.7%) of the group, a slight decrease from last year.

For students with known addresses, 583 (94.8%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 46 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria counties make up 76.8% of the class, down about two percent from last year. Just under ninety percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, fifty-seven percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1067 for the SAT and 23 for the ACT examination. Seventeen percent of students declared a major in Biology, while nearly 14 percent declared Nursing and ten percent were undecided.

Fall 2013

The freshmen class of Fall 2013 includes 568 students who entered the University in Summer 2013 or Fall 2013. Demographically, almost sixty percent (336) of the new freshmen are female, and sixty-six percent (372) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up twenty-seven percent (26.8%) of the group, an increase of nearly four percent (3.6%) from Fall 2012.

For students with known addresses, 536 (94.4%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 49 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria counties make up 78.9 of the class, up three percent from Fall 2012. Just under ninety-five percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, nearly fifty-three percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1074 for the SAT and 24 for the ACT examination. Seventeen percent of students declared a major in Biology, while 16 percent declared Nursing and 7.9% declared in Psychology.

Test Score Calculations

For students with both an SAT and ACT score, only one score is counted. The ACT score is converted into the equivalent SAT score and compared to the actual SAT score, and only the higher is retained. Additionally, for students with multiple SAT test scores, the highest verbal and math subscores (from any test date) are added to get the student's final SAT score. For Fall 2006, this procedure resulted in an increase of approximately 6 points on the average SAT score, from 1074 to 1080.

Prior to Fall 2007, SAT scores were reported using Recruitment PLUS. Recruitment PLUS converted all ACT scores to an equivalent SAT score, and included the converted scores in the final mean.

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Gender	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Male	232	40.8	253	41.1
Female	336	59.2	362	58.9
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

Age Range	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
<18	31	5.5	35	5.7
18-19	527	92.8	569	92.5
20-21	6	1.1	10	1.6
22-24	3	0.5	.	.
25+	1	0.2	1	0.2
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

Minority Status	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Minority	372	65.5	433	70.4
Non-Minority	196	34.5	182	29.6
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

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Citizenship Status	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
U.S. Citizen	523	94.6	252	89.7
Resident Alien	10	1.8	10	3.6
Non-Resident Alien	20	3.6	19	6.8
Total	553	100.0	281	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group*	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	116	20.4	146	23.7
American Indian or Alaskan Native	4	0.7	1	0.2
Asian	89	15.7	53	8.6
Hispanic	140	24.6	206	33.5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	.	.	2	0.3
White	161	28.3	154	25.0
Two or More Races	23	4.0	25	4.1
Ethnicity Unknown	35	6.2	28	4.6
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group - Non-Resident Aliens Partitioned*	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	114	20.1	144	23.4
American Indian or Alaskan Native	4	0.7	1	0.2
Asian	83	14.6	50	8.1
Hispanic	133	23.4	199	32.4
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	.	.	2	0.3
White	156	27.5	149	24.2
Two or More Races	23	4.0	25	4.1
Ethnicity Unknown	35	6.2	26	4.2
Non-Resident Alien	20	3.5	19	3.1
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

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Country of Citizenship	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Angola	1	0.2	.	.
Austria	.	.	1	0.2
Canada	1	0.2	.	.
Finland	1	0.2	.	.
Germany	1	0.2	.	.
Guatemala	.	.	2	0.3
Hungary	.	.	1	0.2
India	.	.	1	0.2
Mexico	.	.	1	0.2
Nigeria	1	0.2	.	.
Philippines	1	0.2	.	.
Republic of Korea	.	.	1	0.2
Serbia	.	.	1	0.2
Singapore	1	0.2	.	.
Sweden	.	.	1	0.2
Uganda	.	.	1	0.2
United Kingdom	2	0.4	.	.
United States	523	92.1	252	41.0
Unknown	36	6.3	351	57.1
Venezuela	.	.	1	0.2
Vietnam	.	.	1	0.2
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

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State of Permanent Address	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Alaska	1	0.2	.	.
California	7	1.2	3	0.5
Colorado	1	0.2	1	0.2
Florida	1	0.2	1	0.2
Hawaii	.	.	1	0.2
Illinois	.	.	1	0.2
Indiana	1	0.2	.	.
Iowa	.	.	1	0.2
Kansas	2	0.4	.	.
Louisiana	2	0.4	.	.
Minnesota	1	0.2	.	.
Missouri	1	0.2	.	.
Nebraska	.	.	1	0.2
Nevada	.	.	1	0.2
New Jersey	1	0.2	.	.
New York	1	0.2	2	0.3
Ohio	.	.	1	0.2
Oklahoma	1	0.2	.	.
Tennessee	1	0.2	1	0.2
Texas	536	94.4	583	94.8
US Territories/Military Addr	1	0.2	.	.
Unknown	9	1.6	15	2.4
Utah	.	.	1	0.2
Virginia	1	0.2	.	.
Wisconsin	.	.	2	0.3
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County of Permanent Address (Texas)	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Angelina	.	.	2	0.3
Austin	2	0.4	.	.
Bastrop	1	0.2	.	.
Bell	2	0.4	1	0.2
Bexar	7	1.3	15	2.6
Bowie	.	.	1	0.2
Brazoria	30	5.6	18	3.1
Brazos	1	0.2	1	0.2
Cameron	1	0.2	2	0.3
Cass	.	.	1	0.2
Chambers	1	0.2	.	.
Collin	4	0.7	5	0.9
Colorado	.	.	1	0.2
Comal	1	0.2	.	.
Coryell	2	0.4	.	.
Dallas	6	1.1	19	3.3
Denton	.	.	3	0.5
El Paso	1	0.2	2	0.3
Ellis	2	0.4	1	0.2
Fayette	1	0.2	1	0.2
Fort Bend	113	21.1	111	19.0
Galveston	10	1.9	13	2.2
Grayson	1	0.2	.	.
Gregg	1	0.2	2	0.3
Grimes	2	0.4	.	.
Guadalupe	1	0.2	2	0.3
Hardin	1	0.2	1	0.2
Harris	280	52.2	319	54.7
Hays	1	0.2	.	.
Hidalgo	2	0.4	1	0.2
Hill	1	0.2	.	.
Hopkins	.	.	1	0.2

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County of Permanent Address (Texas)	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Houston	1	0.2	1	0.2
Jefferson	3	0.6	6	1.0
Johnson	.	.	1	0.2
Kaufman	2	0.4	1	0.2
Kleberg	.	.	1	0.2
Lampasas	1	0.2	1	0.2
Leon	.	.	1	0.2
Liberty	1	0.2	4	0.7
Limestone	1	0.2	.	.
Lubbock	1	0.2	.	.
McLennan	3	0.6	1	0.2
Midland	1	0.2	.	.
Milam	.	.	1	0.2
Montgomery	12	2.2	14	2.4
Nacogdoches	2	0.4	.	.
Navarro	.	.	1	0.2
Nueces	2	0.4	2	0.3
Orange	.	.	1	0.2
Refugio	1	0.2	.	.
Robertson	.	.	2	0.3
San Jacinto	2	0.4	.	.
San Patricio	1	0.2	2	0.3
Shelby	.	.	1	0.2
Smith	.	.	1	0.2
Tarrant	13	2.4	8	1.4
Tom Green	1	0.2	.	.
Travis	3	0.6	.	.
Unknown	2	0.4	.	.
Waller	2	0.4	2	0.3
Washington	1	0.2	1	0.2
Wharton	1	0.2	2	0.3
Williamson	3	0.6	5	0.9

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County of Permanent Address (Texas)	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Wood	1	0.2	.	.
Total	536	100.0	583	100.0

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Religious Affiliation	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Anglican-Church of England	1	0.2	2	0.3
Assembly of God	3	0.5	4	0.7
Baptist	152	26.8	158	25.7
Buddhist	9	1.6	.	.
Catholic	69	12.1	86	14.0
Church of Christ	10	1.8	15	2.4
Church of God	3	0.5	1	0.2
Disciples of Christ (Christian	13	2.3	21	3.4
Eastern Orthodox	2	0.4	.	.
Episcopalian	.	.	4	0.7
Evangelical Free Church	1	0.2	7	1.1
Hindu	4	0.7	1	0.2
Jehovah's Witness	.	.	3	0.5
Latter Day Saints (Mormon)	1	0.2	1	0.2
Lutheran	7	1.2	4	0.7
Methodist	20	3.5	16	2.6
Moslem (Islam, Muslim)	13	2.3	12	2.0
No Preference	53	9.3	60	9.8
Non-denominational	37	6.5	75	12.2
Other	44	7.7	21	3.4
Pentecostal	11	1.9	14	2.3
Presbyterian	2	0.4	2	0.3
Seventh Day Adventist	1	0.2	2	0.3
Undeclared	112	19.7	106	17.2
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SAT Recentered Scores

Interquartile Range	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
25th Percentile	970	970
75th Percentile	1150	1160

	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
Mean	1074	1067

SAT Distribution	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
< 900	10	2.3	4	0.8
900-990	134	31.3	174	35.4
1000-1090	123	28.7	127	25.8
1100-1190	73	17.1	101	20.5
1200-1290	57	13.3	57	11.6
1300+	31	7.2	29	5.9
Total	428	100.0	492	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2013			Fall 2014		
	Verbal	Math	Total	Verbal	Math	Total
Male	500	530	1040	500	540	1050
Female	510	530	1060	520	520	1030

Note:

1. Although submission of entrance test scores generally is required in the admission process, in each entering class there were a small number of students who were admitted without entrance test scores. Therefore, the number of SAT scores plus the number of ACT scores does not equal the total class size.
2. The highest SAT is compared to the highest ACT and only the better score is retained.

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ACT Composite Scores

Interquartile Range	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
25th Percentile	21	20
75th Percentile	27	25

	Fall 2013	Fall 2014
Mean	24	23

ACT Distribution	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
< 20	30	21.7	32	26.9
20-21	12	8.7	12	10.1
22-24	44	31.9	40	33.6
25-27	31	22.5	22	18.5
28-29	13	9.4	1	0.8
30+	8	5.8	12	10.1
Total	138	100.0	119	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2013			Fall 2014		
	Engl	Math	Comp	Engl	Math	Comp
Male	22	24	24	21	23	22
Female	23	24	24	22	23	22

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Full/Part-Time Status	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Full-Time	567	99.8	615	100.0
Part-Time	1	0.2	.	.
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

Average Credit Hour Load*	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	Average	#	Average
School of Fine Arts	12	13.9	7	15.6
Smith College of Liberal Arts	305	14.8	345	14.5
School of Business	94	15.3	107	14.3
College of Education and Behavioral Sciences	13	14.8	9	14.4
School of Nursing and Allied Health	88	15.3	84	14.1
The Honors College	46	15.1	37	16.0
No College Designated	10	14.6	26	14.9
Total	568	14.9	615	14.5

High School Class Quartile**	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
First Quartile	187	52.5	272	57.4
Second Quartile	97	27.2	109	23.0
Third Quartile	51	14.3	72	15.2
Fourth Quartile	21	5.9	21	4.4
Total	356	100.0	474	100.0

* Education and many Science and Mathematics students are included under Smith College due to the way double majors were coded in Banner.

** High School Quartile data may not be available for each student in the class. Therefore, the total does not equal the total class size.

Program of Study	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Bachelor of Arts	146	25.7	167	27.2
Bachelor of Business Administration	98	17.3	111	18.0
Bachelor of Fine Arts	3	0.5	3	0.5
Bachelor of Music	12	2.1	3	0.5
Bachelor of Music Education	4	0.7	5	0.8
Bachelor of Science	248	43.7	261	42.4
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	57	10.0	61	9.9
Undeclared	.	.	4	0.7
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

First Generation Status	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
First Generation	149	26.2	146	23.7
Not First Generation	419	73.8	469	76.3
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0

First Major	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Accounting	25	4.4	30	4.9
Art	4	0.7	6	1.0
Art Education	.	.	1	0.2
Bilingual Elementary Education	2	0.4	1	0.2
Biology	95	16.7	105	17.1
Business	1	0.2	.	.
Chemistry	13	2.3	18	2.9
Christianity	9	1.6	13	2.1
Cinema and New Media	5	0.9	11	1.8
Communication and Rhetoric	1	0.2	1	0.2
Composite Social Studies 8-12	2	0.4	1	0.2
Economics	7	1.2	.	.
Elementary Ed w/ Special Ed	.	.	2	0.3
Elementary Education	6	1.1	11	1.8
English	3	0.5	4	0.7
English/Language Arts 4-8	1	0.2	.	.
English/Language Arts 8-12	3	0.5	3	0.5
Finance	5	0.9	11	1.8
Government	7	1.2	4	0.7
History	3	0.5	4	0.7
Interdisciplinary Stds-Non Ed	.	.	2	0.3
International Business	15	2.6	22	3.6
Journalism and Mass Communicat	10	1.8	10	1.6
Kinesiology (Education)	2	0.4	4	0.7
Kinesiology Athletic Training	29	5.1	32	5.2
Kinesiology-Wellness Mgmt	19	3.3	12	2.0
Legal Studies	7	1.2	18	2.9
Life Science	1	0.2	.	.
Management	30	5.3	29	4.7
Managerial Studies	1	0.2	.	.
Marketing	15	2.6	20	3.3
Math Studies 8-12	4	0.7	4	0.7

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First Major	Fall 2013		Fall 2014	
	#	%	#	%
Mathematics	12	2.1	17	2.8
Molecular Biology/Biochemistry	23	4.0	13	2.1
Music	4	0.7	2	0.3
Music Education	6	1.1	6	1.0
Music Performance-Organ	.	.	1	0.2
Music Performance-Voice	9	1.6	2	0.3
Music-Composition	1	0.2	.	.
Nursing	91	16.0	85	13.8
Philosophy	1	0.2	1	0.2
Physical Science	1	0.2	.	.
Physics	6	1.1	9	1.5
Psychology	45	7.9	33	5.4
Spanish-Teacher Certification	.	.	1	0.2
Studio Art	2	0.4	3	0.5
Undeclared	42	7.4	62	10.1
Writing	.	.	1	0.2
Total	568	100.0	615	100.0